As a private citizen and as a scientist working in a Dept. of Energy laboratory on US government work, I find the proposed regulatoins concerning communications software on private computers absolutely abhorrent and not in the best interests of the United States. The government hsould strongly encourage the use and development of open software in all fields as this in the end produces the best security for all involved. To attempt to limit the type of software on private computers will lead to the utter domination by monopolistic media companines, many of which are controlled by overseas interests.